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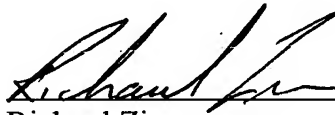
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Prior to examination of this concurrently filed continuing application, Applicants request entry of this preliminary amendment. A petition for a three-month extension of time is concurrently filed with the parent application Serial No. 08/942,867.

AMENDMENTS

In the claims:

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<sup>18</sup> Please cancel pending claims 1 through 17 and insert the following new  
claims <sup>26</sup>~~33~~ through ~~AT~~.

Rule 126

<sup>18</sup> 33. A method for detecting a human neuronal ICAM-4 polypeptide in a sample, said human neuronal ICAM-4 polypeptide comprising the amino acid sequence set out in SEQ ID NO: 28, said method comprising the steps of

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